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## **Leon County Sheriff's Office Earns Recreditation by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation and the Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission**

Sheriff Larry Campbell is proud to announce that the Leon County Sheriff's Office has been awarded reaccredited status by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation and the Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission. In ceremonies sponsored by the Florida Police Accreditation Coalition this week in Tampa, Captain Brent Coughlin accepted these awards on behalf of Sheriff Larry Campbell and the agency. The accreditation processes are ongoing endeavors in which the commissions of these various organizations adopt hundreds of standards which the agency must comply with. Each agency seeking to be reaccredited is reviewed every three years. Different teams of law enforcement professionals, specifically trained as assessors, came into the Leon County Sheriff's Office and inspected all facets of the organization. This included reviewing the policies and procedures, as well as observing the practices of the agency. This is the fourth time the Leon County Sheriff's Office has been awarded reaccredited status by C.F.A., since the agency was originally accredited in 1997 and the third time that reaccredited status has been awarded by F.C.A.C. since the jail was accredited in 2000. Lieutenant Steve Harrelson and Lieutenant Richard Howe are the agency's dedicated Accreditation Managers reporting to the respective commissions.

Making the commitment to participate in this voluntary process involved Sheriff Campbell opening the doors of the Sheriff's Office to not only public scrutiny, but to that of his peers. Sheriff Campbell said "I am committed to transparency in government, accountability to the citizens of Tallahassee\Leon County and of the accreditation process. Our reaccreditation status reflects my commitment to these ideals and validates the professionalism displayed by agency members on a daily basis".



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